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NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION CENTER

PRELIMINARY SITUATION REPORT NO 8

The following is the status of significant military installations in Cuba based on a preliminary analysis of aerial photography from [REDACTED] and BRASS KNOB Missions flown on [REDACTED]

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1. CASILDA PORT

The large freighter berthed on the west side of the quay, first observed on [REDACTED] aerial photography, is now identified as of the LENINSKIY KOMSOMOL Class. Four missile transporters and 7 missile erectors are visible in the port area, whereas on [REDACTED] photography there were 8 erectors but no transporters in the area. One of the 7 erectors is being loaded aboard the ship. Two of the missile transporters are enroute to the dock area on a road in the town of Casilda.

Other vehicles and pieces of equipment observed in the port area include 2 oxidizer trailers, one fuel tank trailer, 11 trucks, 9 vans, and 17 cylindrical tanks.

Four missile transporters are visible in the missile equipment area 1.7 nm NNE of Casilda Port, as contrasted with 8 transporters identified in the missile equipment area on [REDACTED] photography. Other items noted in the area on [REDACTED] coverage include 2 fuel tank trailers, 3 dump trucks, one van, and 7 tents.

2. LA ISABELA PORT

The only significant change since [REDACTED] is that the cargo vessel [REDACTED] has departed. Another cargo vessel, apparently the sister ship [REDACTED] is still in port. Other vessels noted in port include one CAMAGUEY-Class coast guard cutter, one small naval auxiliary vessel, 11 barges, 4 tugs, 2 floating cranes, and numerous small craft.

Five vans and 4 mobile cranes are visible on the deck of the cargo vessel, and one truck is being lowered into a hold. Five additional trucks and one mobile crane are in the dock area, while 11 trucks, 16 vans, 2 tank trucks, one mobile crane, and 3 utility trucks are visible in the general area of the port.

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3. MARIEL NAVAL PORT

Naval vessels observed include 8 KOMAR-Class PGMG's, one PF (escort), and the frigate [REDACTED]

The La Boca port area is covered by poor quality oblique photography. The 2 vessels present on [REDACTED] have departed the La Boca pier, but the [REDACTED] may still be in the port area. The 17 missile erectors remain in the same positions as on [REDACTED]. Poor quality precludes more detailed interpretation.

The Mariel City port area is covered by small-format oblique photography. One liberty ship (probably the [REDACTED]) is along the dock. Obliquity precludes identification of other items in the area.

Good coverage of Mariel Naval Air Station shows that the 14 crates in the probable missile storage area for KOMAR-Class PGMG's (first identified on [REDACTED]) are still present. No changes are noted within the storage area.

4. SAN JULIAN AIRFIELD

Nine aircraft observed, including 5 completed BEAGLE (IL-28), 2 completed MASCOT (UIL-28), and 2 BEAGLE fuselages with tails assembled (appear unchanged since [REDACTED] photography). No personnel noted assembling aircraft.

Twenty-four BEAGLE fuselage crates are still present. The only lowboy trailer visible is now parked in the motor pool. The FLAT FACE radar is not apparent.

No BEAGLE fuselage crates are apparent at the Mendoza O Isabel Rubio transloading area. Seven boxcars and 6 empty flatcars are in the area.

5. HOLGUIN AIRFIELD

Incomplete coverage of the airfield reveals 9 BEAGLE fuselage crates, 11 medium-size crates, and 25 small crates. No evidence that crates are being unpacked.

6. The following installations were not covered by photography of [REDACTED]

HAVANA PORT

CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS (SANTA CLARA) AIRFIELD

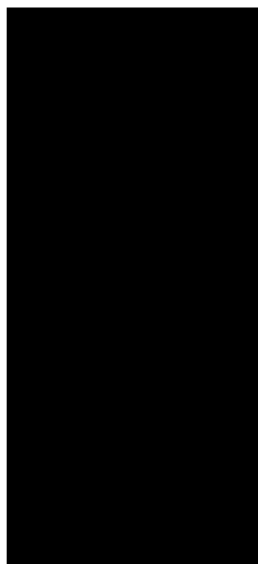
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STATUS OF MISSION READOUT

The following is the status of the PI readout on missions flown on  
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